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From: Michelle E. Small, Chief Administrative Officer

To: All Active Candidates for the 84th RTT

Date: October 24, 2018

Re: 84th RTT Status Update (corrected)

I am pleased to inform you that on October 23, 2018 Governor Charles D. Baker signed into law an appropriations bill that included the funding necessary to appoint and train the 84th Recruit Training Troop (RTT).

The Department of State Police now plans to issue ~235 appointment letters to the Class by December 15, 2018 and start the Class mid-January 2019. Candidates will be appointed to the 84th RTT in strict accordance with examination score. Presently, we are processing candidates with written examination scores of 94.3 or greater. Although the number of candidates within this score range should provide a sufficiently sized appointment pool, candidates with scores below 94.3 should continue to monitor the 84th RTT website, as there is always a chance that we may need additional candidates.

If your written examination score is 94.3 or greater and you remain an active candidate for appointment, it is critically important that you:

- have passed (or are scheduled for) the fitness assessment;
- have had (or are scheduled for) a medical examination;
- have had (or are scheduled for) a psychological examination;
- cooperate fully with your background investigator (if you have not yet been contacted by a background investigator remain attentive and regularly check both telephone and email messages);
- monitor the 84th RTT web site daily for instruction, information, and schedules;

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- escalate your commitment to your physical fitness; The greatest number of recruits who resign their appointment to the RTT do so because they were not physically prepared. In order to further assist candidates with their fitness preparation, the State Police Academy will extend all eligible candidates an opportunity to self-assess under the direction of the Academy fitness staff. This self-assessment opportunity is completely voluntary, but strongly recommended. The assessment will include a three mile run on the same course as the 84th RTT will train. All eligible candidates should watch the web page for a separate letter from Academy Commandant Detective Lieutenant Michael Baxter. The Commandant's letter will include all reporting instructions, as well as dates and times;
- inform the Department of any change to the information provided on your application or background questionnaire (**specifically, you MUST immediately report ANY involvement that you may have with law enforcement**).

The tentative start date for the 84th RTT is on or about Monday, January 21, 2019. Although this date is several months away, there is much to do. It remains your responsibility to complete any and all tasks and to attend all scheduled selection activities. Your failure to comply with a directive or attend a scheduled selection activity will result in your removal from the selection process. Attention to detail and preparedness are the common characteristics among those who successfully complete the training program and go on to become a Massachusetts State Trooper. Stay focused, stay committed and get in the best physical shape possible!!!

Please be clear that at this point in time, no one is being offered an appointment to the 84th RTT. Appointments to the 84th RTT will only be extended in writing by Colonel Gilpin.

I wish you the very best as you continue to pursue an appointment to the 84th RTT.

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